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Tues & Thurs, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Rob KehoeBuilding and Zoning
MonFri. 2:30-4:00 p.m.



THE CITY OF CORUNNA

WINTER, 2002

QUARTERLY NEWS

SHIAWASSEE STREET BRIDGE AND N. SHIAWASSEE STREET PROJECT

More construction is on the way for the City of Corunna. Reconstruction of the Shiawassee St. bridge and the resurfacing of N. Shiawassee St. from the bridge to M-21 is on the State of Michigan's list of projects for the coming year.

Phase I will start in early spring with the Shiawassee St. bridge. The bridge project is necessary to widen lanes and repair problems found in the state's inspection of the bridge.

Plans are to keep one lane of the bridge open with the use of a stop light throughout the construction period. The bridge will be widened to accommodate four lanes, but will only be striped for three. This will allow room for the construction of a bike path on the west side of the bridge. Construction is expected to last three months.

Phase II will begin as Phase I is finishing. This involves the resurfacing of N. Shiawassee from the bridge north to M-21. This is estimated to take six months and motorists can expect delays and stoppages during construction.



Nichole Smolinski

New City Treasurer Hired

Nichole Smolinski is the new treasurer for the City of Corunna. Her two and one-half year contract was approved by council on December 17. She replaces Jeremy Boyd who resigned in December.

A resident of Corunna, Nichole worked at Creative Foam in Fenton as an accountant. She has an associates degree in accounting from Baker College and is pursuing a Bachelor's degree.



SNOW REMOVAL

We all know that, eventually, the snow will fly. So, here are some reminders from the Corunna Police Department and the Corunna-Caledonia Fire Department.

- The removal of snow from city sidewalks, in front of both private and commercial property, is the responsibility of the owner. The DPW will help with snow removal only after city streets are cleared with priority given to downtown sidewalks.
- It is illegal to plow or shovel snow into the street or onto the right-ofway. Snow must be piled up on private property only and must not obstruct the vision of drivers.
- If there is a fire hydrant on your property, it is your responsibility to keep it clear of snow.

Property Assessments

Assessments for property in the City of Corunna will be sent to residents during the month of February, according to city assessor Merilee Lawson.

The notice will list the assessed value of the owner's property with the dates and times the public can meet with the Board of Review to discuss their assessment.

Lawson states that these are the only times and dates that the Board of Review will meet with residents and change an assessment, if necessary. She urges residents to watch for these statements in the mail and to call her Wednesdays from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at 743-3650 with questions.

WATER/SEWER BILL DUE DATES

Water/sewer bills are due on or before the date listed in the "After" box on the front of your bill. If you are paying the bill on time, you pay the amount in the "Amount Due" box.

If you are paying late, or past the date in the "After" box, you pay the amount in the "Pay This Late Amt." box. This amount has the 10% late charge added to the bill.

If paying by mail, the payment must be <u>postmarked</u> on or before the "After" date or it is considered late. If payment is put in the payment box outside of city hall it must be in the box on or before the due date to be counted as on time.

REMINDER

It is now illegal to park on the south side of E. Mack St., next to the post office.

Also, overnight parking, from 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. on any city street is prohibited. department

PARKS AND RECREATION

Plans are under way for the building of a new restroom facility in McCurdy Park this spring. It is to be located near the Historical Village and the Playscape.

The city has received a grant from the Department of Natural Resources for \$120,000, however \$40,000 is needed in donations to complete the project.

If you would like to help, please send a check to the City of Corunna Pavilion/Bathroom Fund, c/o of Corunna City Hall, 402 N. Shiawassee St., Corunna.

BUILDING PERMITS TO BE ENFORCED

Noticing that some residents and contractors are not getting needed permits for building projects, building official Rob Kehoe will begin fining property owners if construction or outside remodeling is started without a building permit from the City of Corunna.

According to city ordinance Section 1-14, any resident can be fined \$500 for every day they are not in compliance.

Permits are needed for all new buildings on a property and for most remodeling projects outside of the home. Some of the most frequently overlooked permits are those for installing above and below ground pools, siding, window replacement, porches, re-roofing, fences, garages and signs. Those building new homes in Corunna must pay the city's water/sewer tap-in fee, if applicable, before a building permit is issued to them.

Residents should check with the building and zoning department before they start any building project. Kehoe's office hours are Monday through Friday from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Phone Corunna City Hall at 989-743-3650 for more information.